severe storm over Ireland and the hurricane H central near the Bahamas, while high pressures prevailed between these of the regions within which icebergs or field ice were reported two depressions as also over central Europe and over the for this month during the last twelve years: United States. From the 25th to the 30th I G broke up into several whirls, some of which moved northeastward over Sweden and others lingered in the neighborhood of Great Among the vessels that encountered the low areas I and I G were the Obdam, Hecla and Meier on the 18th; Brazilian and Pomeranian on the 19th; Bayonne and Zaandam on the 20th; Hecla and Suram on the 23d; Pomeranian, Manitoba, Venetia, Donau, and Acme on the 24th; Venetia and Christine on the 25th.

OCEAN FOG.

The limits of fog belts west of the fortieth meridian, as reported by shipmasters, are shown on Chart I by dotted shading. Near the Banks of Newfoundland fog was reported on 13 dates; between the fifty-fifth and sixty-fifth meridians on 5 dates; and west of the sixty-fifth meridian on 3 dates. Compared with the corresponding month of the last seven years, the dates of occurrence of fog near the Grand Banks numbered 1 less than the average; between the fifty-fifth and sixty-fifth meridians, 1 more than the average; and west of the sixty-fifth meridian, the number was the average for October.

OCEAN ICE.

The positions of icebergs and field ice reported for October, 1894, are shown on Chart I by crosses.

The following table shows the southern and eastern limits

Southern	limit.		Eastern l	imit.	
Month.	Lat. N.	Long. W.	Month.	Lat. N.	Long. W.
	. ,			0 /	0 /
October, 1883	46 56	46 22	October, 1883		42 22
October, 1884 October, 1885	Off Cape		October, 1884	46 56	50 5
October, 1886	41 34		October, 1885	48 21 46 03	47 12
October, 1887	42 58		October, 1887	42 58	50 0
October, 1888	51 43		October, 1888	51 43	55 3
October, 1889	44 32	49 28	October, 1880	46 30	45 59
October, 1890	44 47	49 33 48 27	October, 1890	47 56 48 04	45 45
October, 1891	_ 48 04_	48_27	October, 1891	48 04	48 27
October, 1892	Straits of	Belle 1816	October, 1892	52 34	51 00
October, 1893	49 57	59 32	October, 1893	52 47	51 16
October, 1894	45 11	49 º5	October, 1894	48 33	48 10
Mean	46 24	50 30	Mean	48 17	48 37

Ice was reported south of the fiftieth parallel on 11 dates: 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 19th, and 21st. For October, 1893, ice was reported south of the fiftieth parallel only on 2 dates. In an area extending from the Straits of Belle Isle to near the fifty-second meridian ice was reported on 6 dates: 1st, 2d, 5th, 6th, 10th, and 11th. The southern limit of ice was about one and one-half degrees south of the average southern limit for October; and the easternmost ice reported was about one-half degree east of the average.

TEMPERATURE OF THE AIR.

[In degrees Fahrenheit.]

The distribution of the monthly mean temperature of the air over the United States and Canada is shown by the dotted 0.9; west Gulf, 1.1; Ohio Valley and Tennessee, 0.7; lower isotherms on Chart II; the lines are drawn over the high irregular surface of the Rocky Mountain plateau, although the temperatures have not been reduced to sea level, and the isotherms, therefore, relate to the average surface of the country occupied by our observers; such isotherms are controlled largely by the local topography, and should be drawn and studied in connection with a contour map.

DIURNAL PERIODICITY.

The regular diurnal period in temperature is shown by the hourly means given in Table V for all stations having selfregisters.

NORMAL TEMPERATURE.

In Table II, for voluntary observers, the mean temperature is given for each station, but in Table I, for the regular stations of the Weather Bureau, both the mean temperatures and the departures from the normal are given for the current month. In the latter table the stations are grouped by geographical districts, for each of which is given the average temperature and departure from the normal; the normal for any district or station may be found by adding the departures to the current average when the latter is below the normal and by subtracting when it is above.

DEPARTURES FROM NORMAL TEMPERATURE FOR OCTOBER, 1894.

As compared with the normal for October the mean temperatures for the current month were decidedly in excess in Ontario, Quebec, and southwestward to Kansas, Nebraska, and The ridge of greatest excess includes the following: Rockliffe, 5.2; Chatham, 4.2; Kingston, 4.0; Parry Sound, 4.3; Topeka, 5.8; Wichita, 3.7; Dodge City and Abilene, 3.6.

Considered by districts, the mean temperatures for the current month show the following departures from normal temperatures:

Positive departures: New England, 2.1; middle Atlantic' Lake, 2.0; upper Lake, 1.7; North Dakota (extreme northwest), 1.4; upper Mississippi, 1.3; Missouri Valley, 2.4; northern slope, 2.0; middle slope, 3.2; southern slope (Abilene), 3.6; southern plateau, 2.2; middle plateau, 1.8; northern plateau, 0.2; north Pacific, 1.0; south Atlantic, 0.0.

Negative departures: Key West, 1.3; east Gulf, 0.3; north

Pacific, 1.4; southern Pacific, 0.3.

For certain voluntary stations of rather long periods of observation the normal and extreme mean temperatures and the departures are shown in detail in Table X a, which is now placed among the meteorological tables instead of being inserted in the text as heretofore.

YEARS OF HIGHEST MEAN TEMPERATURE FOR OCTOBER.

The mean temperature for October, 1894, was the highest on record at regular Weather Bureau stations as shown in the following table, which also gives the highest previous record:

•	October	r, 1894.	Highest pr	evious.
Stations.	Mean tempera- ture.	Departure from normal.	Temper- ature.	Year.
Corpus Christi, Tex Palestine, Tex Abilene, Tex Wichita, Kans Topeka, Kans City, Mo Pueblo, Colo Cheyenn, Wyo Parkersburg, W. Va Vineyard Haven, Mass Northfield, Vt.	59-8 68-8 61-4 59-9 59-4 54-4 49-2 56-6 54-9	+13.1 +3.6 +3.8 +3.8 +2.9 +3.2 +13.7 +3.5 +3.5 +3.7	74- 7 69- 7 69- 7 59- 8 59- 0 53- 0 55- 6 55- 4 55- 4 47- 6	1892 1853 1893 1892 1892 1892 1889 1875 1893 1893 1893

YEARS OF LOWEST MEAN TEMPERATURE FOR OCTOBER.

The mean temperature for October, 1894, was not the lowest on record at any regular Weather Bureau stations.

MAXIMUM. TEMPERATURE.

The maximum temperatures of the month at regular stations of the Weather Bureau are given in Table I, from which it appears that the highest maxima were: Yuma, 101; Tucson, 97; Los Angeles, 96; Red Bluff, 95; San Luis Obispo, 94; Abilene, 93; Sacramento, Fresno, and Oklahoma, 92; El Paso, 91; Corpus Christi, Montgomery, and Jacksonville, 90.

The lowest maxima were: Tatoosh Island, 58; Eastport, 61; Port Crescent, 62; Port Angeles, 63; Neah Bay, East Clallam, and Sault Ste. Marie, 64; Pysht, 65; Fort Canby, 66.

YEARS OF HIGHEST MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE FOR OCTOBER.

The maximum temperatures for October were the highest on record at regular Weather Bureau stations, as shown in the following table:

	Octobe	r, 1894.	Highest previous.			
Stations.	Maximum.	Excess above previ- ous record.	Temper- ature.	Year.		
Tucson, Ariz	97 90 89	0 0 + 2	97 90 87	1881		

• Frequently.

MINIMUM TEMPERATURE.

The minimum temperatures of the month at regular stations of the Weather Bureau are given in Table I, from which it appears that the lowest minima were: Lander, 15; Helena, 16; Idaho Falls and North Platte, 18; St. Vincent, 19; Pueblo and Valentine, 20; Denver, Cheyenne, Santa Fe, Bismarck, and Williston, 21.

Among the highest minima were: Key West, 70; Jupiter, 62; Tampa, 57; Titusville, 56; Jacksonville and Port Eads, 52; Charleston and Pensacola, 50.

YEARS OF LOWEST MINIMUM TEMPERATURE FOR OCTOBER.

The minimum temperatures for October were the lowest on record at regular Weather Bureau stations, as shown in the following table:

	Octobe	r, 1894.	Lowest previous.			
Stations. an Diego, Cal	Minimum.	Deficit be- low previ- ous record.	Temper- ature.	Year.		
San Diego, Cal	45	o	45	1872		

MONTHLY MEAN TEMPERATURE.

For the regular stations of the Weather Bureau the monthly mean temperature is the simple mean of all the daily maxima and minima; for voluntary stations a variety of methods of computation is necessarily allowed, as shown by the notes

appended to Table II.

During October, 1894, the highest mean temperatures at regular Weather Bureau stations were: Key West, 77.7; Jupiter, 76.0; Corpus Christi, 74.8; Yuma, 74.6; Galveston, 74.4. The lowest mean temperatures were: St. Vincent, 74.4. The lowest mean temperatures were: St. Vincent, 42.4; Havre, 45.0; Bismarck, 45.1; Port Crescent, 45.2; Pysht and Port Angeles, 46.8.

DAILY AND MONTHLY RANGES OF TEMPERATURE.

The greatest daily range of temperature is given for each of the regular Weather Bureau stations in Table I, which also gives data from which may be computed the extreme monthly ranges for each station:

Greatest daily ranges.—Large values: Rapid City, 52; North Platte, 51; Pueblo, 50; Valentine, 49; Lander, 48; Idaho Falls, 47; Denver and Winnemucca, 46; Tucson and

Carson City, Topeka, Huron, St. Vincent, and La Crosse, 42. Small values: Tatoosh Island, 12; Key West, 15; Hatteras and Fort Canby, 16; Block Island, 17; Nantucket, Astoria. and Port Angeles, 18; Jupiter, 19; Galveston and Seattle,

Extreme monthly ranges.—Large values: Pierre, 66; Valentine and North Platte, 65; Pueblo, 64; Topeka, 61; El Paso, 60. Small values: Key West, 17; Tatoosh Island, 18; Fort Canby, 24; Jupiter, 25; Nantucket, 28; Block Island, 29.

LIMITS OF FREEZING TEMPERATURE.

The region within which the air has had a freezing temperature at some time during the month is bounded by the isotherm of minimum 32°. The isotherm of minimum 40° presents, approximately, the boundary of the region within which severe frosts are likely to have occurred. During the winter season these lines are shown on the chart of snowfall, No. V.

The line of minimum 40° passes from Delaware southwest to northern Georgia, and thence west to central Texas.

The line of minimum 32° passes from northern Maine southwest to northern Texas, and thence northwest to Al-

ACCUMULATED TEMPERATURES.

From January 1 to the end of the current month the average temperature for each geographical district was above or below the normal by an amount that is given in the last column of the following table. The accumulated monthly departures from normal temperatures, as given in the second column, may be used for comparison with the departures of current conditions of vegetation from the normal conditions.

		ulated tures.		Accumulated departures.				
Districts.	Total.	Aver- age.	Districts.	Total.	Aver- age.			
New England Middle Atlantic South Atlantic East Gulf West Gulf Ohio Valley and Tennessee Lower Lake Upper Lake North Dakota (Ex. NW.). Upper Mississippi Missouri Valley Northern slope Middle slope Southern slope (Abilene)	7.0 -0.1 -0.9 -15.5 -24.7 -25.5 -26.0 -22.6 -6.1	+ 1.07 + 0.00 1 + 1.05 + 1.05	Key West	-14.5 - 8.7 - 3.8 - 9.0	0 - 0.6 - 1.4 - 0.9 - 0.4 - 0.9 - 1.0			

PERIODS OF HIGH TEMPERATURE.

The maximum temperatures of October occurred principally at the following periods:

(A) On the 1st the maximum temperature of the month occurred in Mississippi, Alabama, and North and South Carolina. On the 2d this warm wave had extended northward so as to affect the greater part of the Gulf and south Atlantic States, on the 3d it covered the middle Atlantic States, and on the 4th southern New England.

(B) The maximum temperature of the month occurred on the 3d at a few stations in Washington, Oregon, and California, and on the 4th throughout nearly the whole of the Pacific States and Arizona; on the 5th and 6th this warm wave

reached New Mexico and Colorado.

(C) On the 15th the highest temperatures occurred in the northern portions of Minnesota and Montana. 16th this warm wave spread southward into Nevada, Idaho. Wyoming, South Dakota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, and This southward movement continued, and by Lake Huron. the 19th or 20th had covered Kansas, Indian Territory, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, and northern New England. Fort Smith, 45; Abilene and Dubuque, 44; Havre, 43; Yuma, was the closing warm wave of the month, and it ended by

bringing the maximum temperature of the month to Arkansas on the 23d.

PERIODS OF LOW TEMPERATURE.

The minimum temperatures of October occurred prin-

cipally at the following periods:

(A) On the 7th in Montana and Idaho, and on the 8th or 9th at a few stations in South Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri,

Wisconsin, and Upper Michigan.

(B) On the 13th or 14th the minimum of the month generally occurred throughout the upper Mississippi Valley and the upper Lake region; this low temperature moved southeastward, and by the 15th had brought the minimum temperature to Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, the interior of North and South Carolina, and the greater part of the Appalachian region and southern New England. On the 16th the minima occurred along the entire coast from South Carolina to Maine.

(C) On the 28th the lowest temperatures occurred at Salt Lake City, Laramie, Sacramento, and Fresho. By the 29th this low temperature had spread southward over portions of Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado, and by the 30th over Texas, Louisiana, Kansas, and North and South Dakota, and by the 31st over Missouri, Arkansas, and northern Florida.

REGIONS OF 20° RISE IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS,

The daily weather charts show by heavy dotted lines the regions within which the temperature has risen 20° in the preceding twenty-four hours. The following list enumerates all of these regions and gives the dimensions of the principal axes in miles:

(A) 1st, a. m., Colorado and Nebraska, 500 by 200. (B) 2d, a. m., Illinois and Wisconsin, 300 by 100.

(C) 3d, a.m., West Virginia and Ohio, 200 by 100.

D) 8th, p. m., Montana and Nebraska, 400 by 100; 9th, a. m., South Dakota, Wyoming, and Colorado, 500 by 300. This area of rising temperature in advance of high area No. IV, and in the rear of low No. VII, which was then central in Manitoba, can hardly be explained, except as being due to the dynamic warming of the descending air.

(E) 16th, a. m., Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio, 300 by 200. This is a case of a warm area between high pressure No. V on the south and low No. XI on the north; southerly winds and cloudy morning skies were followed by southerly winds The warm area was on the north or dewith a clear sky. scending side of the Appalachians, and if there was a slight dynamic warming, it must have been superadded to the clear sunshine.

(F) 20th, a.m., 100 by 200, Manitoba and Minnesota. This rise of 20° must be attributed to the change from cold northeast winds and clear sky to warm southerly winds and cloudy

weather.

(G) 23d, a. m., 300 by 200, western Montana. This warm area was immediately to the south of low No. XVI, which was then central in Assiniboia and Alberta; southerly winds were blowing down the northern Rocky Mountain slope; the clear skies had become clouded and rain was rapidly approaching; sunshine had been cut off from the surface of the ground, but the protection from radiation and the direct radiated heat from the clouds and the dynamic warming of the chinook wind must have combined to produce this rise in temperature. 24th, a. m., the rise in temperature shown by the preceding map extended rapidly south and east, and now covered the region from Assiniboia to Kansas and Wyoming, averaging 400 by 600. The maximum rise in temperature in twenty-four hours was 32°, at Rapid City, where the sky had remained clear throughout with southerly winds, so that no doubt can remain that high area No. X, off the coast of California, which produced the southwest winds and rain throughout the western Rocky Mountain slope, as shown on this map, was now producing the feehn wind on the eastern slope.

(H) 30th, a. m., 400 by 200, Montana and Assiniboia; the maximum rise in twenty-four hours was 24° at Havre and Swift Current. This warm region was located with reference to low No. XVIII, precisely as was the preceding region (G) with reference to its low area, and the rise in temperature must have been principally of dynamic origin.

(I) 31, a.m., 300 by 100, Nebraska and South Dakota. This warm region represented a change from cold westerly winds and clear sky to warm northwest winds and partly cloudy On the weather; the greatest rise was 24° at Valentine. 31st, p. m., this area appeared in Missouri, 300 by 100.

REGIONS OF 20° FALL IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

A fall of temperature of 20°, or more, in twenty-four hours is indicated on the Daily Weather Map by inclosing the region within which this occurs by a heavy dotted line. According to recent instructions such falls are no longer to be regarded as technical cold waves, the exact definition of which is given in the subsequent paragraph. The following list enumerates the regions of 20° fall for the month of October and the dimensions of the principal axes are stated in miles:

(A) 1st, a. m., 400 by 100, Lake Huron and Ohio.

(B) 3d, p. m., 200 by 100, Iowa, Illinois, and Wisconsin. (C) 6th, p. m., 800 by 400, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, and western Nebraska. 7th, a. m., 300 by 300, Wyoming and Colorado; 7th, p. m., 800 by 300, Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, and Texas. 8th, a. m., three small areas,

100 by 100, Minnesota; 300 by 200, Missouri, and 100 by 100 in Indian Territory; 8th, p. m., two small areas, 200 by 100, Indiana and Ohio; 100 by 100, Mississippi. 9th, a. m., two

small areas, 100 by 100, Ohio; 200 by 200, Mississippi.
(D) 10th, a. m., 400 by 200, Wyoming and Colorado.

(E) 16th, p. m., 200 by 100, Assiniboia. 17th, a. m., 200 by 300, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

(F) 25th, p. m., 100 by 100, South Dakota. 26th, a. m., 600 400, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, and Indian Territory.

(G) 28th, a. m., 300 by 200, Utah and Colorado; 28th, p. m., three areas stretching almost continuously from Minnesota to central Texas, 1,100 by 200. 29th, a. m., 100 by 100, northern Texas; 29th, p, m., 100 by 200, Illinois.

(H) 31st, a. m., 300 by 300, Alberta, Assiniboia, and Montana.

COLD-WAVE SIGNALS FOR OCTOBER.

According to recent instructions (No. 75 of 1894) the coldwave signal, namely, the white flag with black center, will be displayed during the months of March to November, inclusive, whenever, in the judgment of the forecast official, the fall of temperature in twenty-four hours is expected to be at least 18° and to reach at least 32° in the district north of Arkansas and between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains, including Minnesota; at least 16° and to reach 36°, in the region of Tennessee and North Carolina and east of the Mississippi River, including St. Louis; at least 16° and to reach 40°, in all other districts east of the Rocky Mountains, except along the Gulf coast and in Florida; at least 16° and to reach 42°, along the Gulf coast and in Florida. During the months of December, January, and February the first limit remains the same, but the second limit is placed 6° lower. When cold-wave signals are not ordered and the temperature falls 4° more than the first limit and reaches to 4° below the second limit, such falls will be considered as cold waves without signals.

In accordance with these instructions, the following coldwave signals were ordered during the month of October:

6th, p. m., Huron and Moorhead.

7th, a. m., Yankton, Omaha, Concordia, Wichita, Topeka, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Dubuque, Davenport, Keokuk, Sioux City, and La Crosse.

Pueblo, Valentine, North Platte, Omaha, Concordia, Wichita, isotherms of minimum 40° and minimum 32° are shown on Dodge City, and Kansas City.

27th, a. m., Rapid City, Cheyenne, Denver, and Pueblo. 28th, a. m., Omaha, Concordia, Wichita, Topeka, St. Paul, Moorhead, Duluth, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Dubuque, Davenport, Keokuk, Sioux City, Springfield, Mo., Columbia, Kansas City, and La Crosse.

DEW AND HOAR FROST.

The invisible moisture in the atmosphere condenses upon cold surfaces when the latter are cooled below the so-called No method of measuring the amount of this deposition has as yet been introduced into use at Weather Bureau stations owing, in part, to the necessary delicacy and expense of the apparatus. This deposit of dew is quickly evaporated by the wind and sunshine; it is, therefore, only a temporary abstraction from the atmosphere; it does not enter into the sap of a plant unless it drops on the ground and penetrates as water to the roots. When frost-work and dew are deposited on elevated and dry places, such as the tops of houses, rocks, and mountains, the vapor may be considered as abstracted from the free atmosphere, but when they are deposited near the surface of the ground in damp, wet places, the vapor must be considered from the following different point of view. There is a steady and slow movement of the water from the lower strata of the soil up toward the surface where it is evaporated into the free atmosphere; during the daytime the wind carries this moisture away, but during the nighttime the still air near the surface of the ground becomes saturated for two reasons, namely, first, it is cooled by contact with the cool ground and, second, the moisture from the warm layers of soil a few inches below the surface continues to rise, and as it is not carried away by the wind, saturates the adjacent air and deposits itself, either as dew or frost, upon every blade of grass, or, as ice needles just below the topmast layer of gravel; such deposits are, therefore, simply one step in the transition from soil water to atmospheric vapor. The ice formation is oftentimes very important; a mass of needles, several inches high and covering a large area almost continuously, represents a layer of water of that depth and shows how much moisture would be given up by the soil to the air were it not retained by freezing at the surface. These ice needles are eventually thawed in the sunshine and, at least in part, remain in the soil as water. The frozen ground, or "depth to which frost penetrates," presents a similar case of soil moisture converted into ice on its way up into the atmosphere, and which by being frozen is not only itself saved to the soil, but becomes a barrier that prevents the water at greater depths from being lost during the winter, and in this respect, therefore, acts as beneficially as a layer of snow

Observers who can keep a record of the amounts of dew, or frost, or the depth of frozen ground, would confer a favor by reporting these items from month to month.

FROSTS.

The frosts reported by the voluntary observers of the Weather Bureau usually have reference to the injury done to tender plants, and the classification "light" or "heavy" depends almost entirely upon the nature of the plant. In general, it may be assumed that a light frost will injure the most sensitive vegetables that are raised by methods of forcing, while the heavy frosts will injure hardy fruits and grains that ripen in the open air. In both cases, however, the extent of the injury will largely depend upon the location of the plant, namely, whether in a quiet valley or on an elevated spot. The meteorological phenomenon of hoar frost accompanies the occurrence of a frost properly so called by the agriculturist; a freezing temperature without hoar frost is a

25th, a. m., Rapid City, Pierre, Huron, Yankton, Denver, dry freeze or a cold wave, according to its intensity. The Chart V.

> The principal frosts of October occurred in the southern portion of the United States as follows; Alabama, 10th, 31st; Arkansas, 9th, 30th; Georgia, 14th, 16th; Louisiana, 9th, 30th; New Mexico, 28th, 29th; Texas, 29th, 30th; California, 28th, 29th.

> The following table shows the dates of the occurrence of the first light and heavy frosts and the first snow of the season at the respective stations. When the observer makes no mention of frost the first occurrence of a minimum temperature of 32° is selected and the date is given in the table. The dagger at the right of the name of the station indicates, therefore, a minimum temperature of 32° with or without frost:

Dates of first light and heavy frosts and snow, October, 1894.

	First	frost.	i	* .	ı .	frost.	
State and station.	Light.	Heavy.	Snow.	State and station.	Light.	Heavy.	Snow.
	<u> </u>			<u> </u>			
Alabama.		-		Colorado—Cont'd.	İ		
Brewton † Carrollton †	31					30	28
Decatur	10			Julesburg		6	•••••
Evergreen	15 10		• • • • • •	Las Animas †		16	••••
Greensboro	10			Loveland		3 7	
Maple Grove	10	15		Pagoda (near)			26
Montgomery	3I 10			Pueblo		28 8	
Mount Willing	IO			nusted Julesburg Kit Carson 1 Las Anima+ Loveland Pagoda (near) Paonia Pueblo San Luis Seibert Thon			28
Newbern	10	·····		Thon		6	28
Uneonto†		15		Thon Vernon†		7	
Opelika		31		Connecticut.		7	
Scottsboro	14			Bridgeport		16	
Union Union Springs	10		•••••	Hartford		16	•••••
Valley Head	15	14		New Hartford		16	•••••
Arizona.	l	, ·		! New Haven		16	
Rye	·····	29	•••••	New London North Grosvenor Dale†.	7)··· <u>·</u> :-	
Arkansas.			•••••	Norwalk. Southington South Manchester Voluntown Waterbury† Delaware.	7	16	
Bee Branch		8		Southington		16	
Blanchard Springs Camden Conway Gorning Fayetteville Fort Smith		30		Voluntown		7	
Conway		9		Waterbury †		16	
Corning		8	••••	Delaware. Milford			1
Fort Smith		9		Millsboro	15	12 16	
Hot Springs †		31	• • • • • •	Newark		12	
Kirby t		30		Beaford		13	
Hot Springs † Keesees Ferry Kirby †. Little Rock Lonoke Luna Landing	9	30		Washington	7	15	
Lune Landing		9		Georgia.	į	ا	İ
Maitelli	. 9	31		Adsirsville	14	15	
Mount Ida		9		Atlanta	14		
New Gascony Newport	ļ ⁹ .	31		Blakely	16 31		•••••
Osceola	9			Blakely	15		
Pine Bluff		9 31		Clayton Dahlonega	6		•••••
Pocahontas				⊫ Diamond	. 5	18	
Prescott	9	30	}	Dublin			
Russellville	9	30		Griffin	30		
Russellville	9	30		Hephzibah	15		
Texarkana†		30		Lafayette† Lagrange		15	
Washington		9		Marietta	.l 1à	,	
California.		26		Marshallville	15		
Cedarville				!! Ramsey	5	31 6	
Centerville	27	•••••		Rome Thomasville	14	15	•••••
Edmanton			20]] Toccoa†		31	
Healdsburg	12			Waynesboro	16		
Independence		1		Fraser	!		20
Neenach † Sacramento (V. O.)	<u>.</u> .	29		Fraser Idaho Falls Lewiston †			27
Sarta Clara †	28			Martin	·····		
Shasta Springs		25		Payette		5	9
Colorado.		-	28	Illinois.			
Breckenridge			28 I	Aurora		14	
Byers†		27	ļ <u>.</u>	Braidwood		14	
Cope†		7 7		Bushnell	····	14	
Denver				Carlinville		9	
Deer Trail t		. 7	28	Carrollton		ه ا	
Dumont First View†		7	28	Decatur East Peoria.		l .	
Fleming		7	•••••	East Peoria Fort Sheridan			
Fleming		28		Galva		14	
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State and station.	Light.	Неачу.	Snow.	State and station.	Light.	Heavy.	Snow.	State and station.	Light.	Heavy.	Snow.	State and station.	Light.	Нен уу.	Snow.
Illinois-Cont'd.				Iowa-Cont'd.				Louisiana.				Michigan—Cont'd.			ŀ
Bolconda		11		Ogden†		8	· · · · · ·	Abbeville				Ovid Parkville		15	
Greenville		9 8		Osceola	••••	8	••••	Alexandria		31		Pontiae †		2	
Havana				Ottumwa				Baton Rouge	30			Port Huron		I	
Herrins Prairie Jordans Grove				OvidPanama			29 29	Cameron		•••••		Rockland		14	
Lagrange†				Richland		6		Clinton	15			Sand Beach		14	
ouisville	• • • • • • •			Rock Rapids Sac City		8	29 29	Coushatta Covington	14	30		Sault Ste. Marie Stanton			١
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The quantity of moisture in the atmosphere at any time provement. In a general way the dew-points given in Table I are probably slightly lower than they should be, owing to the omission since 1887 of a correction for barometric pressure. There is also an uncertainty in the psychrometric formula which is only just now beginning to be understood, by virtue dew-points for each station of the Weather Bureau, as deduced of which at temperatures below freezing the dew-points and the from observations made at 8 a. m. and 8 p. m., daily, are humidities are higher than they should be. For these reasons the monthly averages of the dew-points and relative humidi-

AVERAGE HUMIDITY.

The temperature of the wet bulb of the psychrometer is the